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The average daily circulation of the Barre Daily Times for the week ending Saturday was

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copies, the largest paid circulation of any daily paper in this section.

Senator Lorimer has a tough row to hoe yet.

Says a newspaper heading, "Peru will arbitrate." But Hapgood never.

Glad to know they are admitting good citizens up in Caledonia county.

Judging by the size of the "army," England virtually declared war on those two burglars.

Your friends who went South to escape the rigors of a Vermont winter; pity them! To warp a simile, they jumped from the frying-pan into the fire, didn't they?

It may be said that Senator Cabot Lodge presented his autobiography at Boston the other evening. His address was nothing more nor less than that, except for a tremendous flight into state patriotism, with a rapid volplane back to matter-of-fact things.

Perhaps Mayor Carpenter of Rutland had no more than his normal share in this matter, but it is considerably to the credit of his administration that Rutland was able to reduce its debt \$40,000 during the past two years. The demand for his continued service is well founded, and Mayor Carpenter's refusal to stand again for election is to be regretted.

Now that the conductors and brakemen of the Rutland railroad are to have their shoulders adorned with gold and silver epaulets, respectively, various Vermonters who are anxious to wear insignia and who were disappointed at the change in the governor's staff personnel can easily have their ambitions gratified by hiring out to the Rutland road. Some day they may be a "general" in the Rutland railroad army and thus be decked out to beat any official of a South American republic, for the Rutland railroad conductors and brakemen will be a martial array with their gold and silver epaulets and their stripes of service.

When Jersey justice got to going again, it traveled like chain-lightning in the case of the deluded old man who tried to kill Mayor Gaynor last summer and who also shot Commissioner Edwards. The sentence of twelve years for the latter offense will probably keep the old man behind the bars for the remainder of his earthly career; and thus it may turn out that he will never be punished for the major offense of shooting New York's mayor, although that charge will continue to hang over him during the waiting years in prison. In that case, it will be a curious situation, with a man punished for an offense which was trivial in comparison with the other charge.

## THE COW AS A WONDERFUL SIGHT.

The placing of a cow in the zoological garden in New York City seems to the average Vermonters as much of a joke, since Vermonters are so accustomed to the sight of the "priestess of the barnyard" that the animal is classed along with dogs and horses. Yet, to the child in the great metropolis, the cow is a novelty, far more of a novelty, in fact, than lions, tigers, bears, etc. Probably the children would be able to pick out a cow in a group picture of farm domestic animals, but as for seeing the peaceful-looking creature grazing on the hillside, they are as far removed from the chance as if they were on that towering eminence in Alaska where Doctor Cook says he visited a few years since. So, the opportunity given the benighted city children by placing a gentle creature in the zoo is not so ridiculous as it may seem at first thought.

## SPEAKER MUSGROVE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE.

New Hampshire repeated recent Vermont history yesterday and elected a newspaper man as speaker of the lower branch of the legislature. Editor Frank A. Musgrove of Hanover scored a "beat,"



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just as Speaker Frank E. Howe did in the Vermont legislature last fall, only the latter's pathway was rose-strawed, compared with Musgrove's. Nevertheless, the struggle which Speaker Musgrove had to make to secure the position will not necessarily stand in the way of successful conduct of his work. Indeed, if the opening remarks which he made following his election are to be taken as a basis for judgment, he merits success and the co-operation which goes with it. Speaker Musgrove's remarks were very sound and decidedly to the point. At the outset he stated that he came to the office without any strings attached whatever and that he was in a position, therefore, to give the state unbiased service; a feature which will be particularly gratifying to the people who have thus shown their faith in him. In the second place, Speaker Musgrove showed himself to be a hustler by urging thus early that the members apply themselves diligently; and in so doing he reached the nub of the long-session problem by stating that non-attendance of members and the holding up of bills in committees are the two chief causes for protracted terms. Speaker Musgrove is also a maker of precedent, as well as a rigorous adherent to certain well-known principles, for he remarked that in one respect he intends to follow an unbeaten path. That is in relation to appointments to committees which are provided for by motion or resolution on the floor of the assembly. The speaker declares that he will not necessarily appoint to the committee the mover of the motion or the introducer of the resolution, because oftentimes the best man would not in that case be selected for the work. It has been the time-honored belief that the one who presents a motion or a resolution is thereby given right of place as a member of the committee, included in the provisions, and it is considered an extreme snub if the appointment is not forthcoming. Speaker Musgrove has taken advanced ground in rooting out a moss-grown custom, and he has given fair warning to all. These are only a few features of the sensible position he took in accepting the office yesterday; and they indicate that he intends to give New Hampshire a service without frills.

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## Current Comment

## A Faithful Clerk.

If any thing was needed to prove that Charles A. Plumley was one of the most faithful and efficient clerks the House has had in recent years, the index of bills found on the desks of members last evening would demonstrate the fact. This index represents a great deal of hard work and is a very useful document.—Montpelier Journal.

## Chief Priestess of the Barn Yard.

It may be by way of contrast or to add a touch of quaintness that a cow has been introduced to the collection of animals in New York's Central park. But the purpose of its zoo is popular education, and the children of that city are perhaps more familiar with the appearance of denizens of the jungle and the polar regions than they are with the chief priestess of the barnyard. In other words, there are more of New York's children who at some time in their short lives have been to the circus than have taken country outings where cows are on exhibition. There are thousands of them who do not know what the source of their chief food staple is. "Mamma," said a little girl on her return from her first visit to friends in the country, "I like cow's milk a great deal better than milkman's milk." A collection of wild beasts is instructive for purposes of nature study in our large cities, but representatives of our domestic animals are hardly less so. When we get our zoo at Franklin park it will hardly exceed in popular interest the flock of sheep that for years has been used for cropping the golf grounds.—Boston Transcript.

## Money Seeks Its Level.

"Vermont capital for Vermont investments" has a good sound, but with such a slogan how would the great West ever have been developed?—Norwich Bulletin.

A pertinent question. After all is said about it that may be, money always flows along the line of least resistance, and business, like water, seeks its own level. Capital will go where there is the greatest promise of profitable returns for its use. The particular phase of the problem as it confronts Vermont is that capital is often diverted from a home opportunity to finance an even less substantial enterprise abroad. There is a seeming want of confidence in business propositions at home on the part of many men of money here. Part of this is due to lack of initiative, perhaps, or the courage that goes with pioneering, and to the desire to invest safely in something already established and guaranteed. Part of it is due to failure to recognize home opportunities because familiarity has bred contempt, or business prospectors with a keen sense of the potential possibilities in a situation are few in a state comparatively undeveloped industrially. And part of it is due to the fact that the state laws and a fair share of public policy do not encourage home investments as, perhaps, they might.—St. Albans Messenger.

## Party Promises.

The legislature having resumed its sittings, we take up the reproduction of the more important platform pledges of the Republicans of Vermont. The primary election reform plank reads as follows:—

"We believe that the legislature should enact such a law as shall surround the political party caucuses with the same safeguards as now protect the election at the polls. And we further recommend such legislation as shall compel candidates for party nominations and political offices to make public an itemized account of their campaign expenses, and such other modifications of the existing statute regarding corrupt practices in political campaigns and elections as shall tend more certainly to secure the free choice of the people's servants in the government and make the manner and method of that choice clear of any features repugnant to the enlightened sense of a democratic people."

This seems to be just as sharp and to the point now as when it was so long discussed in the press previous to adoption by the state Republican convention, and if Republicans expect to keep faith with the people, this means positive and definite action by the Republicans now in the legislature.—Burlington Free Press.

## Happiness.

"There is an instinct in the heart of man which makes him fear a cloudless happiness. It seems to him that he owes to misfortune a title of his life, and that which he does not pay bears interest, is amassed and largely swells a debt which sooner or later he must acquit."

## Her Long Dream.

Estelle—Ah! His proposal was just like a dream!  
Agnes—Well, you ought to know. Dear, you've been dreaming of that proposal for years.

## Jingles and Jests

## A Long Wait.

At a Denver hotel a woman went into one of the telephone booths and sat down. It is not possible to get a telephone number from the booth—the girl at the board has to call it. The girl went to the booth. "Did you want a telephone number?" she asked of the woman.

"No," replied the woman. "I'm just waiting for this elevator to go up."—Argonaut.

## Very Considerate.

George—Do you see that pretty girl in the hammock? Harold—Yes. What of her? George—I saved her life last summer. Harold—Indeed! At the seashore? George—No; on the front porch. I proposed to her and she said she'd die if she married me, so I excused her.—Stray Stories.

## Bogey.

Stranger—I say, my lad, what is considered a good score on these links? Caddie—Well, sir, most of the gents here tries to do it in as few strokes as they can, but it generally takes a few more.—Scottish American.

## A Financial Genius.

"He is a financial genius. In a restaurant the other day he spilled a cup of coffee over a fellow's gray trousers."

"And got out of paying for them, eh?"

"Why, he talked the other fellow into paying for the coffee."

## Her First Poem.

She was one of those soft-eyed maidens, sweetly innocent, shy and gentle. She was unaccustomed to newspaper offices, but, being ambitious, she managed to find enough courage to try winning an editor's sympathy, sympathy to be expressed by the acceptance of her poem.

"I have here," she said demurely, "a little verse I've composed. I really don't know what you'll think of it. You may not like it at all, but it's my first—that is, the first I've ever written for a newspaper—and I'd be very pleased indeed if you honestly thought it was good."

The editor kept at his work, now and then scowling, but not at the young woman especially.

"It's about a maiden tripping o'er the sea," she continued.

"What was the trouble?" asked the man behind the paper. "Couldn't she lift her feet?"—Philadelphia Times.

## Slightly Mixed.

He wasn't good at conundrums, but when his turn came to ask one at a little social party he thought he could remember a good one he had heard. It was the old riddle:

"Why is a woman like the ivy?"

The answer, of course, is the gallant explanation:

"Because the more you're ruined the closer the sticks."

But he got it mixed and asked:

"Why is the ivy like a woman?"

None of the ladies present could give an appropriate reply, so he himself ventured this maladroit solution:

"Because the closer it clings the more you're ruined."

## Spoiled It For Him.

Mr. Clarke's butler had asked for a night off, for the purpose, as he explained, of attending a ball in the village. The next day Mr. Clarke asked him how he had enjoyed himself.

"Oh, pretty good, sir, thank you," was the response. "It would have been better if it hadn't a-been for the women. I can't abide women at a ball."—New York Press.

## A Beautiful Thought.

A little girl absorbed in gazing at the starry skies being asked of what she was thinking said, "I was thinking if the wrong side of heaven is so glorious what must the right side be!"

## A Threat.

Immature Conductor (to clarinet player)—See here, Mr. Schlag, why don't you follow my beat? Veteran Clarinet (solemnly)—If you don't look owd I will!—Puck.

## A Surprise.

Gertie—I want to give my sweet-heart a surprise on his birthday. Can you suggest something? Arabel—Well, you might tell him your age.

Red men excuse their faults; good men will leave them.—Johnson.

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75c Silks for	-	39c
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Wide Ribbons, per yard 9c and 12 1-2c	-	
\$1.00 Kid Gloves for	-	79c
\$1.19 and 1.25 Gloves for	-	1.00
27 inch new Wash Goods	-	23c
35c new Wash Goods	-	29c
Lot Dark Prints and Gingham	-	5c

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## HANCOCK.

Dr. E. R. Richardson has been quite ill for a few days.

The little son of Mr. and Mrs. Carl Boyd is suffering from a twice fractured limb, which is proving quite painful.

On Christmas day, W. H. Church and Nancy S. Blair, both of this town, were united in marriage by Rev. W. H. Watson of Rochester.

Christmas exercises were held at the church Saturday evening, Dec. 24. The exercises were interesting and the tree very prettily decorated. Many gifts were distributed to old and young.

News has been received of the marriage of Miss Jessie Butties of this place and Earl Hanks of Warren. The wedding took place in Warren, where Mr. and Mrs. Hanks will make their home for the present.

There was a family Christmas tree at the home of Fred Andrews Saturday evening. The tree was prettily lighted and trimmed with an abundance of gifts

for the children. There were a few invited guests, who enjoyed the festivity with the children.

## ROCHESTER.

Ernest Thatcher has moved his family to Granville.

Miss Bessie Goddard of Stockbridge is visiting at the home of Fred Eaton.

Mrs. Albert Axtell is with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. George Randall, for a time.

L. J. Spencer has returned to Woodstock, after spending a few days at home.

Mr. and Mrs. Edward Pierce are entertaining friends from South Royalton for a few days.

Misses Anna and Helen Marsh are home from Massachusetts to spend the holidays with their parents.

The Walter Scott place has been purchased by Edmund Wilson of Granville, who will move here in the spring.

William M. Huntington, accompanied by a lady friend, is spending a few days with his mother, Mrs. W. H. Campbell.

A goodly number attended the Christmas exercises at the schoolhouse. The children did finely and many gifts were bestowed on pleased recipients.

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